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SUBJECT: IRISH POSITIVE ON BELARUS RESOLUTION

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Emboff, drawing on reftel points, spoke on October 28 to Third Secretary Jane Connolly, Eastern Europe, OSCE and Council of Europe section, as well as members of the UN section at the DFA. The GOI delayed its response to the demarche until it had determined the direction of other member states. On November 1, DFA confirmed Irish support for the resolution and said that barring a surprise from a fellow EU member, the EU would agree to co-sponsor the resolution on November 2.

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